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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re the application of**  
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**Group Art Unit:**  
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**Filed:**  
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**Docket No.:**  
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**For:**  
**DEVICE FOR GENERATING A**  
**QUADRANGULAR ILLUMINATING**  
**FIELD**

**To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

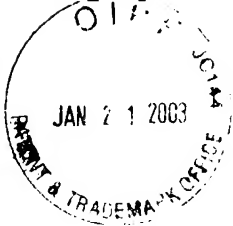
Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:

- ☐ Together with the present application.
- ☒ Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last.
- ☐ After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first.
- ☐ After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to payment of the Issue Fee.
- ☐ After payment of the Issue Fee.

Consistent with Applicants' obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

- ☐ No separate requirements are needed.
- ☐ Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited



in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement pursuant to Rule 1.97(c)(1); or

- ☐ No item of information in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office, in a counterpart foreign application, or to his/her knowledge, after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) in connection with the instant application more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ In lieu of a §1.97(e) Certification, a fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ pursuant to §1.17(p) is submitted.
- ☐ A Petition Fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ pursuant to §1.17(I)(1) is submitted. Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner to consider the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ The Issue fee has been paid, and Applicant(s) hereby submit(s) a fee pursuant to §1.17(I)(1) and petition(s) the Commissioner to withdrawn the instant application from issue pursuant to §1.313(b).
- ☐ One or more of the allowable claims in the instant application is/are unpatentable pursuant to §1.313(b)(3); or
- ☐ Applicant(s) expressly abandon(s) this application to permit consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement in the continuing application submitted herewith pursuant to §1.313(b)(5).
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0990. A triplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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